

Six Die In Auto Crash On Kaduna-Abuja Expressway

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Six persons, including two women, a man and three children, at the weekend lost their lives in a vehicle accident along Kaduna—Abuja Expressway.

The driver of the 18-seater bus with 28 passengers in which they were travelling from Kano to Abuja was said to have lost control at

Rigana Kasan Rami village and skidded off the road.

The accident also left 22 persons injured.

According to a statement from the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) headquarters in Abuja, "the accident involved an 18-seater bus with registration number XG 239 BEN; it had a tyre burst which led to the ugly incident".

It also stated that the cause of the

accident could be attributed to over-speeding and dangerous over-taking on the part of the driver.

Those who sustained injury were taken to St. Gerald's Hospital, Kakuri, while the corpses of the victims have been deposited at Barau Dikko Hospital, Kaduna.

In another development, the Corps Marshal and Chief Executive of the FRSC, Osita Chidoka, has appealed to motorists to drive with caution during

this festive period to reduce the rate of accidents on the roads.

Chidoka made the appeal at the weekend when he led a special patrol team along Abuja-Lokoja road to monitor traffic situation as well as educate drivers on the need for them to obey road traffic rules and regulations as they travel for Christmas and new year celebrations.